



VILLAGE OF MUNDELEIN
AUTOMATED HORN SYSTEM MONTHLY REPORT
TO THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

701-0029

FOR REPORTING PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2002 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2002

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RAIL SAFETY SECTION

OPERATIONS

Total of operational problems reported _____ 3 _____

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Total of citizen comments related to automated horn system _____ 1 _____

Positive _____ 0 _____
Negative _____ 1 _____

Total of citizen complaints related to train whistles _____ 0 _____

GATE VIOLATIONS

Number of tickets issued for crossing violations for this reporting period _____ 0 _____

Was enforcement of crossings conducted during
the reporting period? _____ Yes _____ Total hours _____ 45 minutes _____

COMMENTS

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AUTOMATED TRAIN HORN ACTIVITY REPORT

September 3, 2002

1.	Operational Problem (AHS)	Master control board damaged at Park Street crossing. Control board was replaced by RCL.
2.	Operational Problem (AHS)	VRD at Route 60 crossing was damaged. VRD and power supply were replaced by RCL.

September 4, 2002

1.	Operational Problem (AHS)	At 2:35 p.m. AHS not working at Park Street crossing. Wisconsin Central was notified
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September 7, 2002

1.	Operational Problem (Crossing gates) Mundelein Police Dept.	At 3:05 p.m. railroad crossing gates down on Maple and Park Street, AHS was activated with no train in sight. AHS was manually deactivated and Canadian National was notified.
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September 10, 2002

1.	Operational Problem (Crossing gates) Mundelein Police Dept.	At 8:45 a.m. railroad crossing gates down on Townline Road with no train in sight. Canadian National was notified.
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September 12, 2002

1.	Obstruction of a Highway Mundelein Police Dept.	At 3:48 a.m. ticket issued to Canadian National for obstruction of grade crossing on Dunbar Road for 12 minutes.
2.	Comment Debra Kenny	Her mother, who lives on Park St., commented that the AHS is much worse than the train sound. She also commented that the gates lower and the AHS sounds with no train in sight much more often. (See attached).

September 19, 2002

1.	Obstruction of a Highway Mundelein Police Dept.	At 12:19 a.m. ticket issued to Canadian National for obstruction of grade crossing on Allanson Road for 18 minutes.
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September 29, 2002

1.	Obstruction of a Highway Mundelein Police Dept.	At 4:16 p.m. ticket issued to Canadian National for obstruction of grade crossing on Hawley Street for 19 minutes.
2.	Obstruction of a Highway Mundelein Police Dept.	At 4:16 p.m. ticket issued to Canadian National for obstruction of grade crossing on Park Street for 19 minutes.

AHS September Failure Log

Provided by RCL

Date	City	Crossing	Complaint	Person Reporting	Repair
9/03/02	Mundelein	Park St.	Master Control Board Damaged	CN Dispatch	Replaced Control Board
9/03/02	Mundelein	STH 60	VRD was damaged	CN Dispatch	Replaced VRD and Power Supply
9/05/02	Mundelein	all crossings	Intermittent VRD Failures	RCL	All VRD IC chips upgraded

* Note the log for 9/05/02 was not a failure but an upgrade

**Village of Mundelein
Department of Police**

Date: October 3, 2002

To: Michael Flynn
Assistant Village Administrator

From: _____
Cameron P. Eugenis
Deputy Chief/Operations

Subject: Railroad Crossing Activity Report -

During the month of September 2002, officers of the Mundelein Police Department conducted enforcement at railroad crossings as follows:

Total Time Monitoring RR Crossings for Violations	45 Minutes
Number of Citations Issued to Motorists for RR Crossing Violations	0
Number of Citations Issued to Railroads for Blocking Crossings	4

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cc: Chief Rose
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Michael Flynn

From: Debra Kenny
Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2002 10:45 AM
To: Michael Flynn
Subject: PL

Mike,

Awhile back I remember reading about you asking people to respond to the automatic train horns that were installed.

I just wanted to let you know, my mom, who lives on Park St. has made several comments about the horns and how they are always going off and are far worse than when the train did the sound themselves. She stated last night that is all she heard through out the night.

Normally I'm sure she would give you her own opinion on the matter but her health is very poor so I thought I'd let you know.

There has also been several occasions when I go to her house and the gates come down the horns sound and there is no train around. This has been an ongoing problem since they were installed and hasn't appeared to have gotten better.

They seem to have created more noise and trouble then when they weren't there.

You can call me anytime if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Debs